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MEMORANDUM FOR: Central Valley Chapter # 1551
Spirit of Sacramento Auxiliary Chapter # 0270

SUBJECT: NCOA/Auxiliary General Membership Meeting Minutes (1 Dec 2021)

1. Meeting called to order at 1900 hours in person by Chapter Chairman CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan.

Pledge of Allegiance led by CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan
NCOA Creed read by MSgt (Ret) Terry Shannon
Moment of silence observed

2. **Executive Committee Members:**

CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan, Chairman, Present
MSgt (Ret) Michael Grabow, Vice-Chairman, Present
CMSgt (Ret) Jim Kearns, Treasurer, Present
MSgt (Ret) Terry Shannon, Secretary, Present
MSgt (Ret) George Wheeler, Trustee, Present
MSgt (Ret) Gary Chase, Trustee, Present

3. **Auxiliary Executive Committee Members:**

Karen Jamison, Vice Chairman, Absent
Scott Rodowick, Treasurer, Absent

Tammy Sullivan, Chairman, Present
Pam Wright, Secretary, Present
Judy Mabie, Trustee, Absent

4. **Members Present:**

MSgt (Ret) Liz Lynn
Jasmine Kearns, Auxiliary
Ellie Witt, Auxiliary

TSgt (Ret) Orin Taylor, Sr
Melissa Carnahan, Auxiliary
Ashleigh Taylor, Auxiliary

Bob Byers, Auxiliary
Kim Dewar, Auxiliary

5. **Guests Present:** SGM (Ret) Joseph Terry, SMSgt Gerald Morey, Tina Kish, Monique Riley

6. **Chairman's Comments:**

Regular: CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan opened the meeting welcoming everyone to the last NCOA meeting for 2021. A \$200 donation was made for Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets. An executive meeting will be scheduled for a date in January 2022. Members were asked to identify possible volunteer events for the new year along with having guest speakers attend future meetings. Wishing all A Merry Christmas and safe Happy New Year.

Auxiliary: Chairman Ms. Tammy Sullivan read a letter from an auxiliary member not in the local area. Along with the letter was a \$100 donation for the No Bake – Bake Sale.

HQ Chairman's Comments: SGM (Ret) Joseph Terry provided information about a Platinum sponsor for the 2022 NCOA conference. Volunteers are still needed for the Strategic Communications Plan. Ms. Tina Kish asked to have Super Saxon award nominations submitted.

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7. **Membership Coordinator:** Regular: 161 Auxiliary: 110
8. **Treasurer's Reports:** CMSgt (Ret) Jim Kearns and Ms. Melissa Carnahan gave their treasurers' reports.

Balance: Regular: \$ 6,258.27 Auxiliary: \$1,653.62
JROTC: \$ 3,506.10

9. **Legislative:** MSgt (Ret) Gary Chase discussed the following Legislative activities. Tricare premiums are going up for 2022 coverage. Open season closes on 13 Dec for Tricare and FEDVIP programs. The National Defense Authorization Act remains unsigned and Government funding expires 3 Dec 21. Army officials tell soldiers who refuse to get the COVID vaccine won't get removed from service immediately, but they can't stay past their current enlistment and won't be promoted. Department of Veterans Affairs plan to announce in 2022 that some forms of cancer and lung disorders seen in troops exposed to burn pits and other forms of pollution should be entitled to disability benefits. The following are additional websites providing useful information for both active duty and retirees:
<https://www.cac.mil/coronavirus/Tricare>, AFSA - (<http://www.hqafsa.org>),
<http://www.airforcemag.com/Pages/HomePage.aspx>, Veterans Administration -
<https://www.va.gov>, and Military Times - (<http://www.militarytimes.com>).

10. Unfinished Business:

- a. Website Update – In the process of looking for merchandise vendors. (Open)
- b. JROTC Update – No updates. (Open)
- c. 2021 Calendar of Events – No updates. Bring ideas to next meeting. (Open)
- d. Christmas Party – Scheduled on 11 Dec 21 at the VFW, starting with cocktail hour at 1800 and dinner served at 1900. Cost is \$25 per person. Ms. Tammy Sullivan and Mr. Scott Rodowick are the points of contact for tickets. So far 55 RSVP's have been received. 4 Dec is the deadline for purchasing tickets. (Open)
- e. Irreverent Warriors Walk – MSgt (Ret) Grabow spoke about the event being planned for 8 Oct 2022. The area for the walk has been identified with more details to come. (Open)

11. New Business:

- a. 2022 Calendar of Events – The Irreverent Warriors Walk will take place on 8 Oct 22, the Mather Air Show is scheduled for 10-11 Sep 22, and Elections will be on 7 Jun 22 and 8 Nov 22. No participation details are available currently.

Meeting adjourned at 1935 hours. The next meeting is scheduled for 5 Jan 2022 at 1900 hours and will be held both in person at the VFW and online with Zoom. MSgt (Ret) Michael Grabow will send out an email with information to attend; please respond to his message so you can register.

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JAMES SULLIVAN, CMSgt, USAF (Ret)
Chapter Chairman

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TERRY G. SHANNON, MSGT, USAF (Ret)
Chapter Secretary